



**Town of Amherst  
Town Council Meeting  
Monday, June 17, 2019, 6:30 p.m.  
Town Room, Town Hall  
4 Boltwood Avenue**

**Minutes**

*Complete video is available online: <https://amherstmedia.org/content/amherst-town-council-061719>*

**1. Call to order and declaration of a quorum**

President Griesemer declared the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Councilors present: Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, DeAngelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, Steinberg.

Councilors absent: Swartz

Councilors participating remotely: None

Others present: Town Manager Paul Bockelman, Clerk of the Council Margaret Z. Nartowicz, Planning Director Chris Brestrup, Interim Finance Director Sonia Aldrich, Procurement Officer Anthony Delaney

President Griesemer announced audio and video recording by Amherst Media.

**2. Announcements**

Town Council, June 24, 2019, 6:30 p.m. Large Activity Room, Bangs Community Center. NOTE THE CHANGE IN LOCATION. Open Meeting of the Residents [Charter, Sec. 8.1] for the purpose of hearing presentations and discussing the proposed studio apartment supportive housing at 132 Northampton Road (this is instead of the previously scheduled Community Discussion on June 18 at 6:00 p.m. at the Bangs Center)

Finance Committee Meeting, June 25, 9:30 a.m., Town Room, Town Hall

Town Council Meeting, July 1, 2019, 6:30 p.m., Town Room, Town Hall

Town Council Hearing on Proposed Zoning Bylaw Changes, July 1, 2019, 6:30 p.m., Town Room, Town Hall

Town Council Meeting, July 22, 2019, 6:30 p.m. Town Room, Town Hall

President Griesemer announced that the Town Council will enter into executive session at the conclusion of the agenda and will not reconvene in open session.

**Agenda item 7.d. Action Items: FY20 Water and Sewer Rates**

Councilor Hanneke raised the right to postpone the item at the previous Town Council meeting.

President Griesemer opened the floor for Councilor comments and public comment.

**MOTION:** Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor De Angelis, that the Town Council, serving as the Water Commission and the Sewer Commission as prescribed by Section 7.6 of the Amherst Home Rule Charter, hereby increases the water rate from \$3.80/100 cubic feet to \$3.90/100 cubic feet, and increases the sewer rate from \$3.90/100 cubic feet to \$4.00/100 cubic feet, effective July 1, 2019, as recommended by the Town Manager in his memorandum to the Town Council dated May 31, 2019.

**VOTED:** 12-0-0 (Councilor Swartz was absent) that the Town Council, serving as the Water Commission and the Sewer Commission as prescribed by Section 7.6 of the Amherst Home Rule Charter, hereby increases the water rate from \$3.80/100 cubic feet to \$3.90/100 cubic feet, and increases the sewer rate from \$3.90/100 cubic feet to \$4.00/100 cubic feet, effective July 1, 2019, as recommended by the Town Manager in his memorandum to the Town Council dated May 31, 2019.

**3. Hearings - None**

**4. General Public Comments**

Dillon Maxfield of 290 North Pleasant Street apt. 2 spoke about the appointment process to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals, and spoke in favor of making information regarding applicants who were not selected a public record.

**5. Proclamations and Commemorations**

**a. Juneteenth Proclamation**

Amilcar Shabazz of 29 Chapel Road stated that a reading of the proclamation following a vigorous ringing of the bells will take place Wednesday at 4 pm on the steps of Town Hall, and a program will be held at the Jones Library afterwards.

Councilor De Angelis spoke in favor of the proclamation, stating that Amherst needs to look at systemic and structural racism; the proclamation does not require any changes, and the Town needs to look at making changes.

**MOTION:** President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Pam, to adopt the Juneteenth Proclamation as presented.

**VOTED:** 12-0-0 (Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt the Juneteenth Proclamation as presented.

**6. Presentations and Discussion - None**

**7. Action Items**

a. **Proposed Zoning Bylaws, Introduction and First Reading – Bob Ritchie, Bylaw Review Committee Chair [Charter, Sec. 2.10(a)]**

President Griesemer spoke about the bylaw review process and thanked the Bylaw Review Committee, Councilors, and staff for their work.

Mr. Ritchie spoke about the proposed changes, which include replacing references to the Select Board and Town Meeting to the Town Manager and Town Council, replacing numerals with numbers, maintaining gender neutrality, and reorganizing fines, penalties, and fees to make consequences more visible. Mr. Ritchie stated that the changes were kept to a minimum, while providing a more coherent framework with logical and consistent organization. The Bylaw Review Committee's mission was to make changes that fully implement the Charter and enhance the readability of the document for the public. Ms. Brestrup stated that the Planning Board voted to recommend the proposed changes to the Town Council. Mr. Ritchie noted that internal cross-references in the bylaws are references to the current bylaws, once the Town Council adopts changes to the general bylaws, the references must be corrected; there was also a typographical change in appointment terms to clarify term lengths.

Councilor Schoen asked for clarification regarding staggered terms for Planning Board and ZBA. Ms. Brestrup stated that past practice and intent has been to appoint staggered terms. Councilor Schreiber further clarified that the Charter specifies staggered terms for ZBA and Planning Board.

Councilor Brewer commented that it is not necessary to duplicate language that is in the Charter; asked about where the 14 day notice period for bylaw changes is posted on the Town website; stated that hearings are required for proposed zoning bylaw changes but not proposed general bylaws; asked that Councilors be notified when legal ads are placed on the Council's behalf; stated that hearings for zoning bylaw changes can be held at a joint meeting of the Planning Board and the Town Council or a designated committee of the Council; the process for changing bylaws should be clarified.

President Griesemer stated that the legal notice will be forwarded to Councilors, and the public hearing will take place at the July 1 Town Council meeting.

Ms. Nartowicz stated that the first legal notice is posted outside the Town Clerk's office as of today, the legal notice was published today, the second legal notice will be published June 24, the proposed changes to the zoning bylaw were posted in the agenda packets.

Councilor Hanneke stated that there is a 14-day period prior to the new zoning bylaws taking effect to allow for voter veto procedures per Charter section 8.4.

Councilor Bahl-Milne asked how the Bylaw Review Committee determined whether the new authority should be the Council or the Town Manager. Mr. Ritchie and Ms. Brestrup responded that the committee decided in each instance whether the authority was legislative or executive and made changes accordingly.

Councilors Pam and DuMont asked about term lengths and appointing authority. President Griesemer pointed out that the Charter designates the Town Manager as the appointing authority unless specified otherwise; there is also a provision in the Charter that requires a review of the Charter every year ending in six.

Councilor Brewer asked that an outline of the process to make zoning bylaw changes be provided to the Council prior to the July 1 meeting. Ms. Nartowicz stated that the process should be determined in collaboration with the Planning Board and clarified for the public.

b. **FY20 Capital Improvement Program**

Councilor Steinberg spoke about the Finance Committee and JCPC reports regarding the program.

President Griesemer stated a public forum was held on June 10.

**MOTION:** Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor Pam, to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY20-05, “An Order Appropriating Funds for a Portion of the Town of Amherst Capital Program – Equipment, Buildings and Facilities”, as recommended by the Finance Committee and shown on pages 12 and 13 of the document entitled “Town Council Finance Committee Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget”

**VOTED BY ROLL CALL 12-0-0;** (Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY20-05, “An Order Appropriating Funds for a Portion of the Town of Amherst Capital Program – Equipment, Buildings and Facilities”, as recommended by the Finance Committee and shown on pages 12 and 13 of the document entitled “Town Council Finance Committee Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget”

c. **CPAC Proposals**

Jim Oldham, Vice Chair of the Community Preservation Act Committee and Procurement Officer Anthony Delaney were available to answer questions.

Councilor Schreiber stated that the proposals were recommended by the CRC.

Councilor Steinberg stated that the proposals were recommended by Finance Committee.

Councilor Hanneke thanked the CPA for their work, asked about timing for CPA proposals in the future, and asked about funding for specific projects versus funding the Housing Trust. Mr. Oldham responded that the committee’s schedule was delayed this year; there is an ongoing discussion in the committee about the extent to fund individual projects versus the Housing Trust, the consensus this year is that the recommended level of funding for the trust this year is appropriate.

Councilor Pam asked about additional funding. Mr. Bockelman stated that there is pending legislation that would match funds promised to CPA; the state would allocate funds to match what the Town collects. Councilor Steinberg added that the schedule this year was an issue; as a Select Board member, he asked to hold the process until the Council could hear it, this is a one-year problem. Finance committee will look at a timeline and come up with a schedule for next year.

**(1) MOTION:** Councilor De Angelis moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY20-07, “**An Order Appropriating the FY2020 Community Preservation Act Budget**”, as recommended by the Finance Committee and shown on pages 15 and 16 of the document entitled “Town Council Finance Committee Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget”

**VOTED BY ROLL CALL 12-0-0** (Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY20-07, “An Order Appropriating the FY2020 Community Preservation Act Budget”, as recommended by the Finance Committee and shown on pages 15 and 16 of the document entitled “Town Council Finance Committee Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget”

**(2) MOTION:** Councilor Ryan moved, second by Councilor Pam, to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY20-08, “**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF SZALA PROPERTY FOR**

**OPEN SPACE PURPOSES**", as recommended by the Finance Committee and shown on page 17 of the document entitled "Town Council Finance Committee Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget"

**VOTED** 12-0-0 (Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY20-08, "**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF SZALA PROPERTY FOR OPEN SPACE PURPOSES**", as recommended by the Finance Committee and shown on page 17 of the document entitled "Town Council Finance Committee Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget"

**(3) MOTION:** Councilor Pam moved, second by Councilor Ryan, to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY20-09, "**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF THE KEET HASKINS PROPERTY**", as recommended by the Finance Committee and shown on pages 18 and 19 of the document entitled "Town Council Finance Committee Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget"

**VOTED** 12-0-0 (Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY20-09, "**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF THE KEET HASKINS PROPERTY**", as recommended by the Finance Committee and shown on pages 18 and 19 of the document entitled "Town Council Finance Committee Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget"

e. **FY19 Budget Amendments**

Ms. Aldrich provided an explanation of budget amendments, which appropriate money for deficits in the previous fiscal year's budget. The amendments are for snow and ice removal, for the Fire Department scuba compressor, and contractual salary increases that were settled this year.

**MOTION:** Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor De Angelis, to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY19-82, "An Order Amending the FY 2019 Budget", as recommended by the Finance Committee.

**VOTED BY ROLL CALL** 12-0-0 (Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY19-82, "An Order Amending the FY 2019 Budget", as recommended by the Finance Committee.

f. **Limitations on Campaign Contributions Bylaw, Second Reading [Charter, Sec. 2.10(a)]**

**MOTION:** Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor Ross, to adopt the Limitations on Campaign Contributions Bylaw in accordance with Amherst Home Rule Charter Section 2.10(a) as presented by the GOL Committee and amended as follows: Section C to be amended to strike the words "local charity" in the second to last sentence and replace with the words "public charity subject to MGL Ch. 12 Sec. 8". /amended; said adoption to become effective July 2, 2019.

Councilor Hanneke clarified changes regarding public charity.

**MOTION:** Councilor Ross moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, to amend sections A1, A.2, and B. to strike the decimal 0.25 in each of those sections and replace them with the decimal 0.50.

Councilor Ross spoke to the amendment, that feedback from Councilors was that \$250 was too low, and \$1000 is too high. \$500 seemed to be the common refrain. Three School committee candidates began their campaigns with \$500 donations.

Councilor Schoen spoke in support of a work group to study and report on comprehensive reforms.

Councilor Bahl-Milne commented that the one measure would not be sufficient alone, but that in combination with other ideas it would send a message to people in diverse communities.

Councilor Schreiber spoke in opposition to the motion, stating that the Council should not tell future candidates how to campaign, and that Amherst is not exceptional enough for a special campaign finance law.

Councilor DuMont spoke in opposition to the amendment and the motion, commenting that the idea is admirable, but the problem is bigger than cash.

Councilor De Angelis commented that the proposed measure would not achieve what it intends.

Councilor Pam spoke in opposition, and proposed workshops to help women learn about running for office.

Councilor Steinberg asked if the proposed bylaw would apply to the upcoming local elections. Councilor Hanneke responded that if the bylaw were approved, it would take effect in 14 days and would apply to candidates running in the upcoming Town election.

Councilor De Angelis spoke in support of a campaign finance reform study group.

Councilor Hanneke commented about state limitations to contributions to PACs and from PACs to candidates.

Councilor Steinberg spoke in support of the amendment and proposal.

Councilor DuMont commented that is campaign finance reform is taken up as a topic of study, in-kind contributions should be considered.

Councilor Pam stated that the lack of limits on candidates' contributions to their own campaigns and the role of PACs make the bylaw irrelevant.

Councilor Ryan stated that voters should make candidates answerable for the contributions they accept.

Councilor Bahl-Milne stated that the limit that the Council decides will send a message to potential candidates.

Councilor Schreiber spoke in opposition to the proposed bylaw.

#### Public Comment

John Bonifaz, Amherst resident, founder and President of Free Speech for People, and a constitutional attorney, urged the Council to approve the original motion, to further study campaign finance at the local level to address underrepresented groups in government and commented on behalf of Meg Gage, who had been collecting signatures for a warrant article that would address campaign contribution limits.

Katherine Appy, co-chair of Amherst Forward, thanked Councilors Ross and Hanneke, spoke in support of lower limitations on campaign contributions, and suggested caps on donations to incumbents.

**VOTED** 4-8-0 (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Hanneke, Ross, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilors Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Pam, Ryan, Schoen, and Schreiber voted No; Councilor Swartz was absent) to amend sections A1, A.2, and B. to strike the decimal 0.25 in each of those sections and replace them with the decimal 0.50. The motion failed.

Councilor Ross spoke in favor of the motion, and about his experience as a candidate raising money in a network of people who do not make a lot of money.

President Griesemer spoke in favor of the motion.

Councilor Pam spoke about her experience campaigning, and suggested political workshops for first time candidates.

Councilor Schoen agreed with Councilor Ross that this would be a step in the right direction, but this step alone would not be enough.

Councilor Bahl-Milne spoke about conversations with constituents who are in favor of the proposal.

Councilor Steinberg spoke in favor of the motion, that it will have an impact on the upcoming election and is the first opportunity to try something different.

Councilor De Angelis spoke in favor of larger study, as the motion would not level the playing field.

Councilor Brewer commented that Northampton is the only other municipality in the Commonwealth that has local campaign finance bylaws, would be in support of something outside the Council's time, and that Councilors should not judge others' campaigns.

Councilor Hanneke commented that first steps are important, this step would show potential candidates that they could compete.

Councilor DuMont spoke in opposition to the motion, stating that the Council should take a more comprehensive approach.

**VOTED 6-6-0** (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Griesemer, Hanneke, Ross, Ryan, and Schoen voted Yes; Councilors Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Pam, Schreiber and Steinberg voted No; Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt the Limitations on Campaign Contributions Bylaw in accordance with Amherst Home Rule Charter Section 2.10(a) as presented by the GOL Committee and amended as follows: Section C to be amended to strike the words "local charity" in the second to last sentence and replace with the words "public charity subject to MGL Ch. 12 Sec. 8". /amended; said adoption to become effective July 2, 2019. The motion failed.

g. **Community Resources Committee Amendment of Charge**

President Griesemer stated there is no longer a need to review the charge. No action was taken.

h. **Roll Call Votes on Prior FY20 Budget Approvals [Charter, Sec. 5.5(c)]**

President Griesemer explained that the Charter requires budget approval by roll call vote, all motions under this agenda item were previously voted unanimously, but not by roll call, among Councilors present.

**(1) Regional School District**

*Motion #1 was voted 12-0 with one member absent (Steinberg) on April 22, 2019.*

**MOTION #1:** Councilor De Angelis moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, that "the Town Council approve the Amherst-Pelham **Regional School District** operating and capital budget of \$32,167,342 and that the Town raise and appropriate \$16,444,279 as its share of that budget."

**VOTED BY ROLL CALL 12-0-0** (Councilor Swartz was absent) that “the Town Council approve the Amherst-Pelham **Regional School District** operating and capital budget of \$32,167,342 and that the Town raise and appropriate \$16,444,279 as its share of that budget.”

*Motion #2 was voted 12-0 with one member absent (Steinberg) on April 22, 2019, and was amended as shown below, by unanimous vote on May 6, 2019.*

**MOTION #2:** Councilor Pam moved, second by Councilor Ryan, that “the Town vote to amend Section VI of the Amherst Pelham Regional School District Agreement by adding subsection j) as follows: “For Fiscal Year 2020 only, the alternative operating budget assessment shall be calculated as 30% of a five-year average of minimum contributions with the remainder of the assessment allocated to the member towns in accordance with the per-pupil method found in Section VI e) of the Amherst Pelham Regional School District Agreement. The five-year average of minimum contributions will include the five most recent years.”

**VOTED BY ROLL CALL 12-0-0** (Councilor Swartz was absent) that “the Town vote to amend Section VI of the Amherst Pelham Regional School District Agreement by adding subsection j) as follows: “For Fiscal Year 2020 only, the alternative operating budget assessment shall be calculated as 30% of a five-year average of minimum contributions with the remainder of the assessment allocated to the member towns in accordance with the per-pupil method found in Section VI e) of the Amherst Pelham Regional School District Agreement. The five-year average of minimum contributions will include the five most recent years.”

## **(2) Municipal Budget**

*The following motion was voted 12-0 with one member absent (Swartz) on June 3, 2019.*

**MOTION:** Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor Pam, to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY20-04, “**An Order Appropriating the Town of Amherst FY2020 Operating Budget**”, as recommended by the Finance Committee and shown on pages 10 and 11 of the document entitled “Town Council Finance Committee Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget”.

**VOTED BY ROLL CALL 12-0-0** (Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt Appropriation and Transfer Order FY20-04, “**An Order Appropriating the Town of Amherst FY2020 Operating Budget**”, as recommended by the Finance Committee and shown on pages 10 and 11 of the document entitled “Town Council Finance Committee Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget”.

### **i. Accept Deed to Kruczek Property located on Shutesbury Road in Pelham and partly in Shutesbury for Water Supply Protection**

Assistant Town Manager David Ziomek spoke about the property; the next step is accepting the deed and then the Town can move forward to purchase the land. The total purchase price is \$82,600.

Mr. Bockelman and Ms. Nartowicz clarified that the Council voted the appropriation on April 22, and that the price includes associated costs.

**MOTION:** Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor Ross, that on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019, that the Town of Amherst, acting by and through its Town Council as the Board of Water Commissioners, hereby accepts the foregoing deed to property located on Shutesbury Road in Pelham and partly in Shutesbury for water supply protection pursuant to G.L. c 40 ss38, 39b and 41 and Article 97 of the

Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution, and authorizes the Town Council President to execute the Town Council's acceptance of the deed on behalf of the Town.

**VOTED** 12-0-0 (Councilor Swartz was absent) that on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019, that the Town of Amherst, acting by and through its Town Council as the Board of Water Commissioners, hereby accepts the foregoing deed to property located on Shutesbury Road in Pelham and partly in Shutesbury for water supply protection pursuant to G.L. c 40 ss38, 39b and 41 and Article 97 of the Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution, and authorizes the Town Council President to execute the Town Council's acceptance of the deed on behalf of the Town.

## **8. Appointments**

### **a. Confirmation of Town Manager Appointments [Charter, Sec. 2.11(b)]**

#### **(1) Conservation Commission**

Councilor Ross reported that OCA considered the appointees at a meeting with the Town Manager and recommend the Council confirm the appointments.

Councilor Brewer motion should reflect who is being reappointed.

**MOTION:** Councilor Ross moved, second by Councilor Ryan, to confirm the Town Manager's appointments to the Conservation Commission, as recommended by the Outreach, Communications and Appointments Committee:

- For a three-year term to expire June 30, 2022, effective immediately:
  - Ana Devlin Gauthier
  - Laura Pagliarulo
- For a three-year term to expire June 30, 2022, effective July 1, 2019:
  - Casey Jo Dufresne
- For a two-year term to expire June 30, 2021, effective July 1, 2019:
  - Lawrence Ambs
- For a two-year reappointment to expire June 30, 2021, effective July 1, 2019:
  - Brett Butler (reappointment)

Councilor Brewer noted that motion should reflect who is being reappointed.

**VOTED** 12-0-0 (Councilor Swartz was absent) to confirm the Town Manager's appointments to the Conservation Commission, as recommended by the Outreach, Communications and Appointments Committee:

- For a three-year term to expire June 30, 2022, effective immediately:
  - Ana Devlin Gauthier
  - Laura Pagliarulo
- For a three-year term to expire June 30, 2022, effective July 1, 2019:
  - Casey Jo Dufresne
- For a two-year term to expire June 30, 2021, effective July 1, 2019:
  - Lawrence Ambs
- For a two-year reappointment to expire June 30, 2021, effective July 1, 2019:
  - Brett Butler (reappointment)

**9. Committee Reports**

- a. **Audit Committee**
- b. **Bylaw Review Committee**
- c. **Community Resources Committee**
- d. **Council Goals Ad Hoc Committee**
- e. **Finance Committee**
- f. **Governance, Organization and Legislation Committee**
- g. **Outreach, Communications and Appointments Committee**

**10. Approval of Minutes**

- a. **May 28, 2019**
- b. **June 3, 2019**
- c. **June 10, 2019**

**MOTION:** Councilor Ryan moved, second by Councilor Pam, to approve the May 28, 2019, June 3, 2019, June 10, 2019 Town Council meeting minutes, and June 10, 2019 Capital Improvement Program forum minutes as presented.

**VOTED** 10-0-2 (Councilors Brewer and DuMont abstained; Councilor Swartz was absent) to approve the May 28, 2019, June 3, 2019, June 10, 2019 Town Council meeting minutes, and June 10, 2019 Capital Improvement Program forum minutes as presented.

**11. Town Manager Report**

**12. Town Council Comments**

- a. **President Report**
  - (1) **Town Council Retreat, September 21, 2019, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Location TBD**
  - (2) **Town Council Special Meeting, August 19, 2019, 5:00 p.m., Town Room, Town Hall**
  - (3) **Clerk of the Council**
- b. **Future Agenda Items**
- c. **Councilor Comments**

**13. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the President 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting**

Discussion about appointing authority to the PVPC, per charter and MGL guidelines.

**14. Executive Session**

- a. *To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the Council President declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body. [MGL c.30A, s.21(a)6]*
- b. *To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements (Executive Session Minutes) [MGL C.30A, S.21(a)7]*

**MOTION:** Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor De Angelis, that the Town Council meet in executive session pursuant to the provisions of MGL c. 30A, sec. 21(a)(6) to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting will have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body, and MGL c. 30A, sec. 21(a)(7) to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements (Executive Session minutes).

**VOTED BY ROLL CALL** 12-0-0 (Councilor Swartz was absent) that the Town Council meet in executive session pursuant to the provisions of MGL c. 30A, sec. 21(a)(6) to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting will have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body, and MGL c. 30A, sec. 21(a)(7) to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements (Executive Session minutes).

The Town Council entered into executive session at 9:54 p.m.

The meeting adjourned in executive session.

Respectfully submitted,



Athena O'Keeffe

Approved July 1, 2019



Margaret Z. Nartowicz  
Town Clerk & Clerk to the Council

#### **Record of Agenda Packet Materials and Documents Presented**

06-17-2019 FINAL Agenda 06-13-2019 rev. 6-13-19

10a 05-28-2019 DRAFT Special Council Meeting Minutes - Fin Com

10b 06-03-2019 DRAFT Town Council Minutes

10c(1) 06-10-2019 DRAFT Town Council Minutes - Establish an Open Meeting of the Residents

10c(2) 06-10-2019 DRAFT Town Council Minutes - CIP Public Forum

11 Town Manager Report 06-17-2019

5a Juneteenth Proclamation 2019

7a Amherst Zoning Bylaw Clean Draft SMc 6-13-19

7a Amherst Zoning Bylaw REDLINE DRAFT SMc 6-13-19

7a MEMO GK - Zoning Bylaw Recommendations - 11-28-18

7a Planning Board Report to Town Council 06-12-19

7b 7c Finance Committee Report to Town Council 06-03-2019

7b CIP Forum 6.10.19 Updated 06-11-2019

7b FY20 Capital Plan - JCPC Report

7d - SLIDE Water and Sewer rate comparison 2020 Updated 06-03-2019

7d Water and Sewer Rate Memo 06-03-2019

7f GOL FINAL Report to Town Council - 2019-05-29

7f GOL revision - Limitations on Campaign Contributions

7f SLIDES - Campaign Finance, including potential motions

7g Community Resource Committee Charge - FINAL Council approved 3-18-19

7i Kruczek Deed

8a OCA Report to TC 06-17-2019 TM Appoint to Con. Comm

8a TM Conservation Commission Appointments - 06-03-2019

Draft Motions for Town Council 06-17-2019

Proposed Bylaw - Limitations on Campaign Contributions